

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 3-6 and 12 now stand in the present application, claims 4-6 having been amended and claims 1, 2, 7-11 and 13 having been canceled. Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 3 and 12 are allowed and respectfully submits in view of the above amendments and the following remarks that this case is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that claims 3 and 12 are allowed. In order to expedite the prosecution in this case, Applicants have canceled rejected claims 1, 2, 7-11 and 13. The dependencies of claims 4-6 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 3. In view of these amendments, it is respectfully submitted that only claims that have been allowed or contain allowable subject matter remain in this case and accordingly the case is in condition for allowance.


Therefore, in view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered and that all of claims 3-6 and 12, now standing in the application, be allowed and that the case be passed to issue. If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a supplemental response or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone exchange indicated below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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